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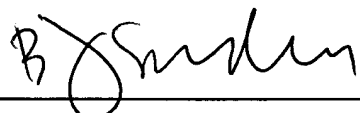
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If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

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Box No. V

Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)

Claims 1-39

YES

Claims

NO

Inventive step (IS)

Claims

YES

Claims 1-39

NO

Industrial applicability (IA)

Claims

1-39

YES

Claims

NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Document 1: WO 02/31140 A1 (Kyowa Hakko Kogyo Co., Ltd.), 18 April 2002

Claims 1-39 do not involve an inventive step in the light of documents 1. Document 1 discloses a method for producing recombinant antibody molecules having complex N-glycoside-linked sugar chains in the Fc region in which fucose is not bound to N-acetylglucosamine in the reducing end of the sugar chain, by culturing transformants produced by introducing DNA coding an antibody molecule into cells the genome of which has been improved such that they lack activity of an enzyme which contributes to synthesis of the intracellular sugar nucleotide GDP-fucose, or of an enzyme which contributes to sugar chain modification whereby position 1 of fucose is α -bonded to position 6 in the N-acetylglucosamine in the reducing end of complex N-glycoside-linked sugar chains. Document 1 also discloses producing antibody molecules as fusion proteins. Since fusion proteins of the Fc region of an antibody together with a binding protein were well known prior to the present application, a person skilled in the art could easily, with reference to document 1, produce cells in which both alleles of a

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gene which codes an enzyme which contributes to synthesis of the intracellular sugar nucleotide GDP-fucose, or an enzyme which contributes to sugar chain modification whereby position 1 of fucose is α -bonded to position 6 in N-acetylglucosamine in the reducing end of complex N-glycoside-linked sugar chains, have been disrupted so that they lack the activity of said enzyme, and introduce into said cells DNA coding a fusion protein of the Fc region of an antibody together with a binding protein, to produce a composition comprising a fusion protein of a binding protein together with an antibody Fc region which has complex N-glycoside-linked sugar chains in which fucose is not bound to N-acetylglucosamine in the reducing end of the sugar chain.

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Box No. VI Certain documents cited

1. Certain published documents (Rule 43bis.1 and 70.10)

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WO 03/85107 A1 [P, X]	16.10.2003	09.04.2003	09.04.2002
WO 03/85118 A1 [P, X]	16.10.2003	09.04.2003	09.04.2002

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